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Incident

Incident Number: 96D101863 Nature: Sex Offense
 Case Number: Image:
 Address: US05 - Kingdom Hall (Jehovah's Witness)
 City: Rockingham State: VT ZIP: 05101
 Area: 1314V BELLOWS FALLS Contact:

Complainant

Numbr: 373901
 Last: Lewis Fst: Marina Mid: M
 DOB: 08/01/1963 SSN: - - Adr: 2 Fairview Avenue
 Race: W Sx: F Tel: (802)885-6106 Cty: Springfield ST: VT ZIP: 05156

Details

Offense Codes: 0280 Reported: XX42 Observed: 0280
 Circumstances: W40 LT04 LT20
 Rspndg Officers: Tetrault, D
 Rspnsbl Officer: Tetrault, D Agency: SPD1 CAD Call ID: 492450
 Received By: Knoras, K Last RadLog:
 How Received: T Telephone Clearance: RBL Reviewed by Lt/Capt/C
 When Reported: 15:15:36 09/18/1996 Disposition: ACT Disp Date: 09/18/1996
 Occurrd between: 15:15:36 09/18/1996 Judicial Sts:
 and: 15:15:36 09/18/1996 Supervisor: Tef
 MO:

Narrative

Narrative: (See below)
 Supplement: (See below) (See below) &

INVOLVEMENTS:

Type	Record #	Date	Description	Relationship
NM	307619	09/24/1996	True, Norton G	*Offender
NM	373901	09/24/1996	Lewis, Marina M	*Person of Interest
NM	374918	09/24/1996	JuvenileLewis, Miranda H	*Victim
NM	374919	09/24/1996	JuvenileLewis, Annessa M	*Victim
NM	373901	09/18/1996	Lewis, Marina M	*Complainant
CA	492450	09/18/1996	15:15 09/18/1996 Sex Offense	*Initiating Call

LAW Incident Offenses Detail:

Seq Code	Offense Codes	Amount
1	0280 SEX OFF, CHILD MOLESTATION	0.00

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LAW Incident Circumstances:

Seq	Code	Contributing Circumstances	Comments
1	W40	Personal Weapons (Strongarm)	
2	LT04	Church/Synagogue/Temple	
3	LT20	Residence/Home	

LAW Incident Responders Detail

Seq	Name	Unit
1	Tetrault, D	502

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Narrative:

VERMONT STATE POLICE INVESTIGATION REPORT

Case #: 96D101863

Officer: Det. Sgt. David J. Tetrault

Incident: Lewd and Lascivious Conduct with a Child, 2 Counts -
e 13 Section 2602.

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Date/Time Complaint Received: September 17, 1996 at
approximately 1600 hours.

Date/Time of Crime: Victim #1 approximately four to five
years ago.

Victim #2 approximately three to four
months ago.

Victim: #1. Juvenile #1 (A.M.L.) DOB: 01/09/87

#2. Juvenile #2 (M.H.L.) DOB: 09/10/91

(Please note the last page for victim information.)

Accused: TRUE, Norton G. DOB: 09/28/44
52 Upper Meadow Road
Rockingham, Vermont 05101
Tel: (802)-463-9377
White male, height: 6'02", weight: 210 lbs

Complainant: #1. Social Services Investigator Sue Palmer

#2. LEWIS, Marina M. DOB: 08/01/63
(Victim's mother)
448 South Street
Springfield, Vermont 05156
Tel: (802)-885-1057

Discovered By: The complainant, the victim's mother.

Description of Scene: The acts took place at two locations,
one place was the accused's barn located
on his property on the Upper Meadow Road
which is located off of US Route 5
(Missing Link Road) in Rockingham. The
other location was the upstairs of the
Kingdom Hall Jehovah Witnesses Church,
located on US Route 5 (Missing Link
Road) in the town of Rockingham.

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Modus Operandi: The victims report that the accused reached
down in their pants with his hand and touched
them on their privates. Victim #1 reported

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it occurred one time at the Rockingham residence. Victim #2 reported that it occurred two times at the Kingdom Hall.

Property Stolen: N/A

Evidence Taken:

- List of Exhibits:
1. An audio cassette tape containing the interviews of both Victim's #1 and #2.
 2. A written statement provided by the victim's mother, Marina Lewis.
 3. An anatomical drawing used with Victim #1.

This drawing was of a white grammar school age female child.
 4. Two anatomical drawings used with Victim #2. One was of a white preschool female child to represent the victim and the second was of a white adult male front view to represent the accused.
 5. An audio cassette tape containing the interview of the accused, Norton True on 09/23/96 at the Rockingham State Police Office.

- Persons Interviewed:
1. Marina Lewis, complainant
(A verbal interview was conducted followed up by obtaining a written statement.)
 2. Victim #1 (A.L.) DOB: 01/09/87
(An audio tape recorded interview was conducted with A.L. on 09/18/96.)
 3. Victim #2 (M.L.) DOB: 09/10/91
(An audio tape recorded interview was conducted with M.L. on 09/18/96.)
 4. Norton True, accused. (On 09/23/96.)

Synopsis:

This case involves a report of child abuse involving two young girls ages 4 and 9 being touched inappropriately by the accused. The 9 year old reported it occurred to her when she was four or five years old. She reported the accused touched her on her

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privates, underneath her clothing when she was in the accused's barn with him.

The 4 year old reported that the accused touched her on her privates, underneath her clothing when the two were alone together upstairs in the Kingdom Hall, Jehovah Witness Church. The 4 year old indicated it happened a second time also in the church however she was a little vague in that description.

Both girls indicated that after the accused touched them he told them not to tell anyone.

The 9 year old indicated that she remembered her incident with the accused after her 4 year old sister spoke about her incident.

An interview with the accused was arranged for and conducted on 09/23/96. The accused gave a long explanation reference the incident with Victim #1 A.L., but denied the act. He also denied touching M.L. in the privates.

Narrative:

On September 17, 1996 this officer was contacted by Social Services Investigator Sue Palmer regarding a child abuse case. Palmer advised there were two young girl victims who were advised they were abused by an adult male with these incidents occurring at the Kingdom Hall Jehovah Witness Church in Rockingham. Palmer gave information on the two victims, their mother and the male accused. Palmer advised she was going to try to set up an appointment with the victims and their mother on 09/18/96.

After Palmer contacted this officer, the victim's mother (Marina Lewis) telephoned and spoke with this officer. Lewis indicated that she was apprehensive about having her daughters come in to speak with the police because of the concerns she has regarding the trauma and ill effects it may have on her children. She did indicate that she has contacted a therapist and would be getting the children in for therapy.

This officer attempted to express to the mother how important it was if the girls were abused by the accused in coming forward and giving the information so that it may be dealt with. This officer was able to persuade Lewis regarding the seriousness of the offense and Lewis did agree to come to the Rockingham State Police Office with her two daughters the following morning (09/18/96) for 9:00 a.m..

On 09/18/96 at approximately 9:00 a.m., this officer and SRS Investigator Sue Palmer met with the victims and their mother at Rockingham. We initially met with the mother to get a little bit of background information on how she learned of the incidents involving her children and the accused. This officer also requested that she provide a written statement regarding that

information, which she agreed to do.

Lewis advised that she and her family, which includes an older son and daughter have been going to the Kingdom Hall Jehovah Witnesses Church for approximately nine years.

She also indicated that in dealing with these incidents involving her daughters she has had a meeting with overseers or elders at the Kingdom Hall previous to reporting the incident. Lewis advised besides herself there were two elders at the meeting and the accused (Norton True) and his wife (Charlene). Lewis advised when Norton was confronted with these allegations her children had made, he denied them coming up with several excuses about the matters and she indicated that he (Norton) begged her not to report it.

Lewis advised that one of her best friends is Norton's daughter (Stacy Bathrick). She advised that she is not that close to Norton's family but she is a good friend to Stacy. Lewis advised Norton's property is located off of the Missing Link Road, they have animals on the property and a barn.

Lewis advised the incident involving her daughter, M.L., occurred approximately three months ago. Lewis advised they were at the Kingdom Hall, M.L. had gone up ahead and was in the building for a few moments and when M.L. came back out she said, Norton touched me and told me not to tell.

Lewis also advised that approximately one month ago, prior to school starting they were at a party at Norton's residence. Lewis advised there were quite a few people at the party and at one point, at night she noticed Norton walking away towards the barn with M.L.. Lewis advised this worried her because of what had occurred already at the Kingdom Hall and she stopped M.L. from going with Norton. M.L. told her mother that Norton had wanted to show her something.

Lewis also advised while they were getting ready to leave with the family around the car, M.L. made a "proposition" to Norton saying she wanted him to touch her like he did before because it felt good.

Lewis advised on the way home she and the children were talking about it and that's when the information began to come out. M.L. had said, Norton touched her and told her not to tell. A.L. told her mother that she believes M.L. because it almost happened to her by Norton.

Lewis advised that night or the following day she spoke to M.L. again about the incident with Norton.

Lewis further advised she spoke to Norton about it advising he has an excuse for everything. She also indicated that Norton said to her, your kids are starved for affection.

Lewis further advised regarding the incident with M.L. and Norton

at the Kingdom Hall, when M.L. said Norton touched me and told me not to tell, Norton looked really surprised.

This officer decided to interview A.L. first without the mother present.

This officer and Sue Palmer began an audio tape recorded interview with A.L. in an office at Rockingham. It is noted A.L. initially did speak to us and answered simple questions about her name and she did indicate she knew why she was here at the office. When asked to give us some information regarding why she was here, A.L. advised she did not want to tell. She did say however that something happened to her when she was five years old, however she didn't want to say what. It was decided that she may feel comfortable with her mother in the room with us, and she agreed to this.

We began again with A.L.'s mother in the room with us and again this officer asked A.L. what had happened to her.

A.L. advised a man touched her where she didn't want to be touched. This officer asked her who the man was and she replied Norton, Norton Bathrick. It is noted, Bathrick is the last name of Norton's daughter Stacey, who is a friend of Mrs. Lewis. I asked her how she knew Norton and she advised because he is in the same religion as she is.

This officer asked A.L. what she meant by him touching her, she advised he touches her in her privates. I asked her when this occurred and she advised when she was four or five years old.

This officer continued with questions and A.L. responded that it occurred at Norton's residence, that he lives on a farm and it occurred in the barn. She also was asked how many times it occurred and she advised one time.

A.L. advised that she was going in the barn with Norton to feed the horse and that it was only Norton and herself in the barn.

A.L. advised that Norton stuck his hand down her pants and touched her in her privates.

At this point we utilized an anatomical drawing to assist in having A.L. point out what she meant by her privates. A.L. used a pen and pointed and touched the pen at the area of the crotch of the little girl on the drawing. When A.L. did this she advised right there, meaning he touched her right there. A.L. advised he touched her with his hand and that he stuck his hand down under her clothing, and she remembered she was wearing overalls at the time. A.L. indicated that she was also wearing a shirt and undergarments. A.L. further indicated that he touched her under her undergarments.

This officer asked A.L. if Norton said anything to her, she said, he said don't tell anybody.

A.L. was asked additional questions and she responded this only happened one time, that it happened during the summer time and that she never told anybody about it until just recently. She was also asked why she never told anyone about it and A.L. advised, because he said not to tell anybody and she was five years old.

When asked about how she knew her age she advised, she was four or five years old and that she was going to preschool at the time.

A.L. advised she just recently, about a month ago told her mother about it because her sister M.L. brought it up saying Norton had touched her (M.L.).

A.L. also advised that when this occurred she was not hurt and she also indicated that she did not touch any part of Norton's body.

A.L. advised she was called out of the barn that day by Norton's daughter (Stacy) and then she and Stacy left and went over to Stacy's residence.

This officer also asked A.L. if she could describe Norton and she did give some physical descriptions of him, to include a bald spot on his head.

After finishing the interview with A.L. we then interviewed M.L. again with her mother present and A.L. out of the room.

When M.L. was asked why she was here to speak with us initially she advised she forgot why she was there and this officer reminded her that we had heard something had happened at the Kingdom Hall.

M.L. advised somebody at the Kingdom Hall touched her in her privates. This officer then asked her who did this and again she advised she forgot and asked her mother who did this. By saying she forgot M.L. advised she forgot the name, so this officer attempted to have her describe the person. M.L. advised that he was an adult man and that he goes to her church. We spent a few more moments with M.L. trying to help her to remember by having her describe the man and finally it dawned on her and she blurted out Norton, that his name was Norton.

M.L. was asked and advised that she has known Norton since she was born.

M.L. was asked what has happened between Norton and herself and she advised, after he touched her in her privates, he told her not to tell anybody. M.L. did indicate however that she did tell one person, her older sister Jennie.

M.L. advised that this occurred one time while they were in the upstairs room of the Kingdom Hall. M.L. also advised that when

he touched her in her privates he did it with no one else seeing, saying everyone else was downstairs.

M.L. was asked if she could describe what her privates are and she advised her privates are her own space where no one else can touch you.

It was at this point that we used an anatomical drawing with M.L. and she was handed a pen and asked to point out on the drawing where the privates were. M.L. did use the pen and we asked her to mark the area and she marked the crotch area of the girl in the drawing. M.L. also advised that Norton touched her privates with his hand. She advised that he reached under her underwear and touched her privates. M.L. also advised that he did tell her at the time not to tell anyone.

This officer asked M.L. if it happened more than one time and M.L. advised, yeah it happened a different day. It is noted M.L. was unable at this time to provide more information about the different day. She did advise that it happened the next day after the first day. She also indicated that both times it was at the Kingdom Hall.

M.L. could not pinpoint the time or the day that this happened, however she did say that it was in the spring time before summer and that she was four years old. I asked her if it was something that just happened recently and she said yes.

M.L. advised that the first person she told about this was her sister Jen.

M.L. advised that she told her mother the day there was a going away party held at Norton's place.

It is noted Mrs. Lewis advised that this party is where she observed Norton walking towards the barn with M.L. and Mrs. Lewis stopped them and then later at the car as they were about to leave M.L. propositioned Norton to touch her again because she liked the way it felt. It is then during this car ride home that the family spoke about what had been going on. Lewis advised this party was sometimes towards the middle to end of August, 1996.

When asking M.L. if anything else had happened with Norton she indicated at this time that it happened another time with another person. She advised this other person who touched her on her privates was named Clyde.

It was learned that a retarded boy named Clyde Horton had been staying with the Lewis's for a short time. It was somebody that Mrs. Lewis was caring for.

M.L. advised that Clyde touched her in her privates just like the other person did.

It was determined that this occurred in the town of Springfield

and was unrelated to this particular case, however we did use an adult man anatomical drawing with both the Clyde information and to indicate what part of Norton's body touched M.L.. M.L. indicated on the drawing that Norton's hand touched her privates. She also noted that Clyde's hand touched her privates.

M.L. did indicate that the incident with Clyde occurred in the barn on her property which is located in Springfield. In trying to clear up some of the confusion in her story between Norton and Clyde, M.L. did advise Norton did not hurt her, Clyde hurt her. M.L. also advised that when Norton touched her he tickled her.

The adult male drawing was used with M.L. and she indicated after some discussion with us the only part of the male body from Norton that touched her privates was his hand and the same with Clyde.

Once the interview with M.L. was over, this officer again requested the written statement from Mrs. Lewis and she agreed to provide it and get in touch with this officer the next day.

It is noted on 09/19/96 this officer did meet with Mrs. Lewis again at the Rockingham State Police Office and she did provide a five page written statement regarding the information she knew surrounding the events or incidents with her daughters.

On 09/19/96 this officer contacted Mrs. True, the wife of the accused Norton True by telephone. She advised that Norton was out of town but she would take my telephone number and give that to him so that he may give me a call. During the afternoon of 09/19/96 Mr. True did call and speak to this officer by telephone. He was advised that I needed to speak to him regarding a matter of information that I had learned about. He asked if it was involving two little girls from the Kingdom Hall and I told him yes it was. He advised that he would be out of town on 09/20/96 also. It was then arranged that we would meet on Monday morning, 09/23/96 at 9:00 a.m..

On 09/23/96 at approximately 9:00 a.m. this officer met with Mr. True at the VSP Office in Rockingham. It is noted Mr. True's wife dropped him off and then waited for him.

This officer informed Mr. True that he was not under arrest and that he was free to leave at any time, that I was interested in hearing his side of the story regarding allegations made about inappropriate conduct with the two little girls. Mr. True advised that he was aware of a complaint from both A.L. and M.L..

True advised that he has no idea what the allegation from M.L. is all about, and he added that it is totally false as far as he was concerned.

True went on to say that he was contacted by the girl's mother about two months ago and they had a meeting at his residence. True advised at this meeting he learned there was an allegation of sexual impropriety occurring at the Kingdom Hall during

meetings. He advised he was told by the mother that this happened more than once at the Kingdom Hall.

True went on to say that the mother also said that A.L. also reported that it had happened to her too. The incident with A.L. occurred at his home in the barn. True advised there was an incident that did occur in the barn with A.L. occurring approximately four to five years ago. True did indicate that his wife was present for at least part of the incident.

True advised that he came to know the Lewis family quite well because his daughter Stacey became good friends with Mrs. Lewis.

True advised the incident in the barn occurred during the summer or late summer. He advised he has a small farm with horses and sheep and the children like to come to see the animals. He advised on this particular day both A.L. and her older brother KJ had come over. He believes his daughter Stacey had to leave to go do something. The two Lewis children were there with he and his wife. He advised he believed it was late in the day and there were not many chores to do and the children wanted to do something. So he asked them if they would like to pick up some butternuts from the ground underneath his butternut tree. The children advised that they would like to do that.

True advised that he and A.L. went into the barn to get a grain sack for picking up the butternuts. True advised his wife had to go into the house at that time. True advised he remembers taking A.L. by the hand, walking into the barn and he was about ready to reach up to get a grain bag when A.L. indicated that she wanted to do it.

True advised that A.L. was at the time wearing a pair of bib overalls. He advised these overalls had openings on the side. True advised it is his habit when he picks little children up that he grabs a hold of their clothing. He advised that is what he did with her, picked her up by her loose fitting clothing, held her up so she could grab a bag and on the way back down she said something to the effect of ouch, or it hurt. True advised he asked her what was the matter and then they turned and walked outside the barn. He advised he believed she either said ouch again or she started to touch herself in the front. He said what's the matter again and she would not say anything. True advised he felt that maybe he gave her a wedgie by picking her up or possibly she had a bee in her clothing. He said he may have asked her if he could look in to her clothing or he was just moving fast and began to look inside her clothing. True advised he put his hand in through the overalls by the opening at the hip and was pulling it open so that he could see in.

True advised at that instance his wife came around the corner and asked what was the matter. He advised he told his wife that A.L. said something's bothering her. True advised he did have his hand inside of her overalls and he was pulling it so that he could see if it was her underwear or a bee. True advised his wife took over and she stopped whatever was bothering A.L.. He

advised his wife asked A.L. if she was alright, and the girl either didn't say anything or she said yes.

True advised that he then told A.L. to run off and find her brother.

True did advise that he and his wife spoke about this, she said what were you doing. He advised he answered her by saying I thought she was hurt, I thought there was something wrong with her and the wife responded to him by saying you cannot mother other peoples children like you would your own.

True advised his wife went off and asked A.L. again if she was alright and the child responded by either saying yes or nothing at all. True advised it was never really determined why the child said ouch.

During questioning, True advised his hand was never near A.L.'s private parts. He advised he does not believe his hand even got to the point of where her underwear were. He advised he was pulling the clothing apart and looking in and admitted that anybody seeing that would wonder what he was doing.

True advised the child never said anymore to his knowledge and he advised they never told the child's mother about it either, he advised they just passed it off.

True advised if he made a mistake in judgement it was probably to even have tried to find out what was bothering her. True did say however, he has taken care of dozens, scores of children over his time. By that he was asked and advised, his relatives.

True advised that was the incident with A.L., four or five years ago. True did advise that the incident was discussed with Mrs. Lewis at the meeting at his residence. True was asked if he remembered all of the information he had just given, such as the fact that A.L. was wearing overalls. He advised yes, that was the same information he told Mrs. Lewis at the meeting.

In reference to the incident with M.L., True advised that he held a party at his residence on July 26, 1996 for a family who was moving from the area. The party was a cookout and various people from the Kingdom Hall were invited to say good-bye to the family. True advised there were approximately seventy-five to eighty people at the party.

True advised it was after dark and Mrs. Lewis was trying to round up her children to leave the party. He advised M.L. was in their van with one of her older sisters, and M.L. had her head out the window.

True advised M.L. is a very hyperactive child and also very demonstrative, running up to you and putting her arms around you to hug you. True advised at this party M.L. said to him, which was the second time he had heard it, "do this to me, Norton." He

advised she said this from the window of their car. He advised when Mrs. Lewis came to her vehicle to leave, M.L. said the same thing to him. He said to Mrs. Lewis what is this child saying. Mrs. Lewis responded to him by saying I don't know but I think she has said it before concerning you.

True advised he did not know what the child was meaning but he did say to Mrs. Lewis, well I hope you know that I would never. It is noted Norton did not finish that thought but continued by saying, putting two and two together he remembers seeing M.L. at the Kingdom Hall one time, M.L. was holding on to herself and she said, he did this to me. Norton advised this was either a Tuesday or a Wednesday night when this occurred at the Kingdom Hall when they had their book study night. This is believed to have occurred this summer around June or July.

Norton went on to say that on these nights they have a room set up with some treats which they call the goodie room. The meetings were about to start and he went down to get the children together and he noticed M.L. in the goodie room with two other children. He advised while he was getting the kids out of the room he noticed that M.L. had a shoe untied and he bent down to tie her shoe. He advised he tied it and headed out of the room and was about to go upstairs when he heard M.L. say to her mother, he did this to me, and while Norton turned around to look at M.L. she was holding herself in her privates.

Norton advised he said something to Mrs. Lewis at the time such as, I did not, and he further said he did not get into any detail with the mother or to ask what M.L. was talking about. He just said something to the effect of I did not.

Norton advised this was one of the subjects brought up by Mrs. Lewis during the meeting at his residence. At the meeting Mrs. Lewis advised that M.L. had indicated the incident at Kingdom Hall occurred upstairs. Norton advised the upstairs is always open with a lot of people and meetings going on and there is never a time when somebody is alone up there. Norton continued by saying he has never been alone with M.L. at the Kingdom Hall.

Norton advised he perceives that the child is very hyperactive, always running around, and the two times he has heard her say this was once at the Kingdom Hall and the other time at the party at his residence. He advised what the child says is, do this to me Norton. While at the same time holding her crotch.

Norton advised Mrs. Lewis then attempted to get in touch with him a few days after the party at his residence. This would be sometime in August. He advised she told him over the phone that she needed to talk to him in reference to her girls saying that he is improperly touching them. Norton advised, your girls? Thinking it was only M.L. saying these things and then Mrs. Lewis advised that A.L. had also said that he had touched her. He said after hearing this from Mrs. Lewis he said to her yes let's get together to discuss this right away.

Norton advised he started to think about it, began to get paranoid and decided to ask one of the elders of the church to be present at the meeting. Norton went on to say due to delays with different people they finally had their meeting on a Wednesday night after the Friday night party. He believes that date would have been on or about July 30, 1996. He advised the meeting was held at his house and he and his wife were there, Mrs. Lewis and two elders from the church. He advised Mrs. Lewis explained what the girls had said and then he explained everything like he had just told this officer. He advised that Mrs. Lewis said, my girls don't lie and I have to believe them.

Norton advised he told her, that he understands that a mother has to take stock in what their children tell them but he said I'm telling you now, it is not true and I don't know what to do about it.

She advised, at the minimum she has got to go get them some counseling to show that she's trying to protect them and he responded by saying I understand that, and I think that's exactly what you ought to do.

Norton also advised that they agreed not to have any contact with one another.

Norton advised that Mrs. Lewis also said that she may have to report this because of her job description as a mandated reporter. He advised he told her, do what you have to do. He advised he has not spoken to her or her children since that meeting.

Norton advised he did not understand the delay in this incident being reported.

In asking Norton if anything like this allegation has ever occurred before with him, he advised yes unfortunately my step-granddaughter turned me in for inappropriately touching her. He went on to say this occurred some years ago when the granddaughter was eleven or twelve years old and that none of the authorities, including SRS or the police ever spoke to him about the allegation. He advised the only information he received was that the Bellows Falls Police Department were investigating it and they did not believe her story. He did advise the girl's father was investigated further by the police, saying the girl implicated both of the men. He did give this officer the girl's name.

Norton advised the allegation implied that he touched the girl inappropriately, he explained that one time he was moving her while she was in bed and another fellow was in the room at the time and she was about to fall out of bed so he was picking her up to put her back in the bed and his hand brushed across her breasts. He advised yes he did this but this was only trying to put her back into the bed.

He advised there was also a meeting with the elders and the

little girl and family back then and he spoke to the little girl again during one of these meetings and he indicated she just sat there and didn't say anything to him. He said he told her that he did not touch her and never did anything of the sort. He advised that was it from his end of it, he never heard from the police or SRS and she indicated that her father did other things to her so he was investigated.

This officer then began to speak to Norton about the interview I had with the children. I told him that their stories sounded believable. I asked him why he thought the children would say something like that.

Norton advised that where A.L. is concerned he feels she misconstrued that one incident in his barn. He advised where M.L. is concerned, after looking back at these incidents he feels it is right on the heels of him disciplining her. The first incident he describes at the Kingdom Hall he advised he was driving her out of the goodie room. In the other incident occurring at his residence, he went into a long explanation on a discussion with M.L. involving some horses at his property. He said she was disagreeing with what he was saying about some horses.

Norton went on to say that he's not calling the girls liars, but he is saying the allegations they have made are not true adding that he is a christian man. Norton also brought up the subject that one of his own children had been molested in the past by some other person.

This officer then went into an explanation to Norton regarding the allegations made by the children and how this officer felt about the children and the stories that they told. I told him that I felt the children were forthright and very believable in what they were saying.

It is noted after this explanation Norton did not make a denial to the allegations, however he began to explain why certain things were the way he had said. He did mention the fact that if things were leading this way maybe he needs to speak to counsel, however he did keep speaking to tell his side of the story. He did say that the children in the Lewis family are starved for affection.

We continued to speak at length regarding the allegations and Norton advised the allegations were simply not true.

After still more discussion this officer advised that due to what the girls have said, the suspicion is still there that he was responsible for what they are saying. I advised, to eliminate himself from this suspicion it might be in his best interest to take a polygraph examination. Norton then went in to several reasons on why he would distrust the polygraph, naming the circumstance with his brother in law and the girl incident. The fact that he had a heart problem and also bringing up the fact that he would like to take one but he'd like to get advise from

counsel before doing so.

Again this officer made it clear to him that because he is the only one named in this, that it would be in the best interest if he would take a polygraph examination. He advised that he would think about it but that he would contact counsel for advice regarding this.

It is noted the cassette tape ended after using up both sides and we still spoke for a few more minutes before the interview ultimately ended. This officer advised that I would like to hear from him regarding contacting a lawyer and if he was going to take a polygraph that I would need some notice so that I could set up an appointment.

We did discuss the fact that if there was nothing else to be done with him then I would prepare my report and send it to the State's Attorney's Office for review for court action regarding the charges.

It is noted that Norton called this officer later that same day of the interview to clear up the matter of the date of the meeting and to clear up something regarding what A.L. had said. He advised he spoke to his wife and they recall Mrs. Lewis saying something to the effect of A.L. said that he (Norton) asked if he could put his hands inside her pants, and A.L. told him no.

On 09/25/96 this officer received a telephone call from Attorney Will Kraham who indicated that he would be meeting with Mr. True on October 2. Kraham advised he would get back in touch with me later that day regarding the fact if Mr. True would be taking a polygraph examination or not.

David J. Tetrault
K. Knoras 09/29/96

Reviewed 09/29/96

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Law Supplemental Narrative:

Seq Name	Date	Supplemental Narratives Narrative
1	: : / /	
JUVENILE #:	374918	Victim

Last Name: LEWIS
First: Miranda
Middle: H.

DOB: 09/10/91
POB:

Address: 448 South Street
City, State and Zip: Springfield, Vermont 05156

MOTHER

Name: Marina M. Lewis
Address: 448 South Street
City, State, and Zip: Springfield, Vermont 05156
Phone: (802)-885-1057
DOB: 08/01/63

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Law Supplemental Narrative:

Seq Name	Date	Supplemental Narratives
		Narrative
2	: : / /	
JUVENILE #:	374919	Victim

Last Name: LEWIS
First: Annessa
Middle: M.

DOB: 01/09/87
POB:

Address: 448 South Street
City, State and Zip: Springfield, Vermont 05156

MOTHER

Name: Marina M. Lewis
Address: 448 South Street
City, State, and Zip: Springfield, Vermont 05156
Phone: (802)-885-1057
DOB: 08/01/63

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Law Supplemental Narrative:

Seq Name	Date	Supplemental Narratives
3	: : / /	Narrative
Polygraph, Det's. Tetrault/Anderson, 10/31/96		

CASE NO: 96D101863

OFFICER: DET./SGT. David J. Tetrault

List of Exhibits: A copy of the polygraph report prepared by Sgt. Kevin Anderson, regarding the test given to Norton True.

Narrative: On 10/31/96 at 09:00 hours, Attorney Will Kraham and his client, Norton True came to the Rockingham State Police office to have a polygraph examination conducted on Norton True.

Examiner Det./Sgt. Kevin Anderson conducted the test.

During the pre-test this officer took notes.

From Sgt. Anderson's questions, Norton advised;
The grain room is about 6'X8' in the barn.
Annessa wanted to get a grain bag. She had on overalls.
He picked her up by her clothes, by the sides. She got the grain bag.
He set her back down.
She said "ouch, or she grabbed herself in the crotch area".

True advised he has bee's in the barn. He thought maybe a bee got inside her pants or thought she had a wedgie.

He opened up the slit of her overalls to see inside the pants-putting his hands in the slit.

His wife startled him, saying "What's going on"?
Annessa then walked out of barn.
His wife checked Annessa, the kid said she was alright.

Wife and him talked about it, wife said you just can't do that, touching other people's children.

That's why he remembered the incident well.

SGT Anderson questions - he answers

He was never inside the underpants. he didn't pull underpants back to look inside them.
It occurred outside the barn - near the doorway.
It happened very fast, matter of seconds.
He doesn't like calling the girls liars, he loves these girls, but he did not touch them as they say.

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SGT Anderson advised that he has to test him today on whether he touched the girl (Miranda) sexually or not.

True advised he has not, he did not fondle her vagina.

In reference to Miranda Lewis, SGT Anderson asked if there were any times Norton may have touched Miranda.

True advised yes, outside of her clothes. There was a time when he went to get Miranda off of a stone wall at the church. He grabbed her around the stomach and waist area to pull her off of the wall, while doing so, he may have touched her vagina, over her clothes.

While listening to True's explanation of events, with the two children to SGT. Anderson, it is noted it was the same he had previously told this officer.

SGT. Anderson then conducted his polygraph examination.

Once concluded, SGT. Anderson advised, True was truthful and passed the test.

On 11/01/96, this officer telephoned the victims mother, Marina and told her the results. I told her I would still send the report to the States Attorney's office but prosecution was not likely. We did have a conversation about the children and counseling. I told her I'd notify SRS also.

DET./SGT. David J. Tetrault Reviewed on 11-12-96.

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Law Supplemental Narrative:

Seq Name	Date	Supplemental Narratives
4	:	Narrative
Attorney Kraham, SGT. Tetrault,	10-10-96.	

CASE NO: 96D101863

OFFICER: DET./SGT. David J. Tetrault

NARRATIVE: On 9-25-96, Attorney Will Kraham called and spoke to this officer reference a meeting he would be having with Norton True on 10-02-96. Kraham advised he'd get back in touch regarding a polygraph.

On 10-02-96, Attorney Kraham called and this officer returned his call on the 3RD and 4TH but was unable to reach him.

On 10-09-96 Attorney Kraham called again, and again this officer was not available.

On 10-10-96, this officer returned Attorney Kraham's call and spoke to him about Norton True. Kraham advised True took a polygraph with Leroy Prior and True had no problem with it, meaning he passed it.

Kraham advised, True would be willing to take another polygraph conducted by a VSP examiner, and to go ahead and schedule one.

kraham also wanted to know if the states Attorney will charge True if he passes the state test.

States Attorney Dan Davis was contacted and said there would be no promises, everything in the investigation will be considered.

Davis also requested this officer to interview Mrs. True, something this officer was planning to do.

On 10-10-96 at 15:20 hours, this officer called Mrs. True at home.

Mrs. True advised that when Norton went to see Attorney Kraham she went also. Mrs. True advised attorney Kraham suggested to both her and Norton, not to talk to the police. She advised she would like to talk to me however, she is going to abide by Attorney Kraham's advise. She did indicate she would call Attorney Kraham and ask him what he advises. She never called back.

On 10-30-96, Marina Lewis telephoned to check status of the case. I told her, polygraph is scheduled for tomorrow 10-31-96.

Marina did advise that as of this time, the girls had not received any therapy or counseling as of yet, they are scheduled to see someone soon.

DET./SGT David J. Tetrault

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